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Title:

Alloy Type Thermal Fuse and Material for a Thermal Fuse Element

REFUND REQUEST BASED ON PREVIOUS CLAIM OF <u>SMALL ENTITY STATUS</u>

In reference to the above-identified patent application, it is requested at this time that a refund of \$455.00 be applied to the account of Akin, Gump, Strauss, Hauer & Feld, LLP, Deposit Account No. 50-1017.

Applicants claimed Small Entity Status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27 upon filing the present application. However, a Petition for Extension of Time (one month) and a Request for Continued Examination were filed on August 31, 2006 with unnecessary large entity fees of \$120.00 and \$790.00, respectively. Therefore, a \$455.00 refund (\$60 + \$395) is warranted and respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted, YOSHIAKI TANAKA

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